

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title: Automatic Pruning of Orphaned Objects From Directory Services and Other  
Databases

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED 10/11/05

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## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated 10/11/05 for which a three-month shortened statutory period for response is set for 1/11/06. Please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this communication.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this communication.